

c.) Amendments to the Claims

Claims 1-17. (Canceled)

Claim 18. (New) A system for preventing concealment of contraband in a bed formed of a mattress resting on a supporting structure, including:

said mattress including an outer cover, said outer cover comprising top and bottom panels formed of a transparent sheet material and sealed in airtight fashion to define at least one air bladder;

said at least one air bladder being supported generally horizontally on said supporting structure and being inflatable to support a human body;

said transparent sheet material permitting visualization of any object in said mattress and directly under said mattress, whereby contraband objects cannot be concealed in said bed;

said top and bottom panels having matching perimeter edge configurations, and a sidewall extending between said top and bottom panels and having top and bottom edges joined to said matching perimeter edge configurations in continuous fashion to define therewith an enclosed envelope; and,

interior support features within said pressure-retaining enclosed envelope, said interior support features being formed of transparent material.